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## THE PLAY

Al G. Fields closed his engagement at O'Brien's last night to a packed house. He always plays to big houses and he always will as long as he keeps up the standard of his organization. He always comes out with features entirely new and he has some real startling ones this season. The Faust family cannot be excelled and the team of Gruett, Beers and Gruett, present an act strictly up-to-date. Among the other features is Eddie Fox who is known by all lovers of minstrel performances.

## Boy Wanted

Charles E. Blaney's big spectacular extravaganza, "A Boy Wanted," will be presented at O'Brien's opera house Monday night, September 25. It is described as a farce comedy which fairly bubbles over with laughter from start to finish, and with the wonderful success of the past season will, without doubt, play to the capacity of the house, with the same strong company of artists who won so much favor in all the cities. "A Boy Wanted" has a plot that leads to nothing in particular, but serves as an introduction for the very latest songs and dances, and a lot of clever comedians with specialties. It is said to be about as funny, clever and lively combination as could be desired. The fun is constant, contagious and never ceasing, and everybody is in the merriest mood during the three hours of its progress. The incidents of the play are supposed to deal with the history of a theatrical company in financial straits.

## Howard College G-owing

Seven new names were enrolled in the Howard college yesterday. The nearer the time for opening approaches the brighter the prospects grow.

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## MEETING OF THE MANAGERS

And Many Friends of the Institution Held Yesterday.

## THE PLANS WERE OUTLINED

Committee Was Appointed to Select and Recommend a Suitable Location for the Building—Work Being Accomplished

"We are determined that the Hillman hospital shall have a permanent home of its own," was the sentiment that was voiced by every member of the board of managers of the Hillman hospital at the meeting held in the Commercial club rooms yesterday afternoon.

The ladies who compose this board spoke in a manner which admitted of very little argument. They said that the time had come when it was practicable to rebuild the hospital, and that they were simply carrying into execution what they had been determined to do ever since the former hospital at Smithfield was burned several years ago.

They said that they had invited a number of the representative business and professional men of the city to be present at the meeting to advise them what amount of money they thought could be raised for the purpose of building a new hospital, and how soon they thought it would be advisable to start the work. There were over thirty ladies and gentlemen present at the meeting.

Mrs. J. Morgan Smith, president of the ladies' board of managers, called the meeting to order and stated its object. She told what the ladies had determined to do, and stated the result they had in view in asking the gentlemen to meet jointly with their board. The secretary's report was also read, showing the work that had been done by the hospital since it was organized ten years ago.

Mrs. Smith then asked E. H. Cabaniss to preside temporarily over the meeting and E. L. Bridges to act as secretary. This organization was afterward made permanent.

Several speeches were made by Mr. Cabaniss, Mr. Bridges, Robert Jemison, M. Newfield, D. J. Fox, Rufus N. Rhodes and other gentlemen present pledging the heartiest support of the citizens of Birmingham to the noble work the ladies were undertaking.

Mrs. J. Morgan Smith, Mrs. Stratton, Mrs. Tom O. Smith, Mrs. Gray, Mrs. T. H. Molton, and other ladies made statements and suggestions concerning the work that had been done and that is to be done in the near future.

**Will Not Interfere With Other Hospital**  
The matter was fully discussed as to whether commencing the work for the Hillman hospital would not interfere with the work which the citizens of Birmingham and vicinity were doing for the Sisters of Charity hospital, which is to be erected at Fountain Heights, for nothing is further from the purpose of the Hillman hospital governing board than to interfere with the good work which is being done for the Sisters' institution.

**Present Hospital Not a Private One**  
It was decided, however, that their work was so nearly completed at this time that it would in no wise interfere for the Hillman hospital people to start to work. Only about \$7,000 or \$8,000 is to be raised for the Fountain Heights hospital, nearly all of which has been subscribed, and by the time active work is begun for the Hillman hospital, that amount will have been raised.

During the meeting several of the ladies referred to the difficulties under which the present Hillman hospital in its temporary quarters, was laboring. Neither the city nor the county assists at all in the support of the institution, and its only income is \$1,200 a year which comes from the \$20,000 originally donated by T. T. Hillman. All of the board that is received from the patients receiving treatment in the hospital goes to the ladies, and the net profits from this source are added to the main fund of \$1,200, all of which is used to support the charity patients. Dr. Copeland, who is in charge of the hospital does not receive one cent from the amount paid for board by many of the patients.

It will thus be seen that the ladies have only a little over \$100 a month to run the charity department of the hospital, and when this little amount gives out all charity patients seeking admission have to be refused. This is the case even when there are empty beds. In this way it often happens that a charity patient must be refused, while a pay patient can be received. This naturally causes some people to think that the hospital is a private one, and it is a source of great prejudice against the institution.

This one fact, perhaps, more than any other cause, has made the ladies determine to get permanent quarters and more revenue to run their charity department on, as soon as possible.

The ladies now have besides the Hillman fund, \$5,100 in bank, and a house and lot on Eighth avenue known as the Hawkins place, which could be used as a temporary hospital, were it not for the strong objections which the people of the neighborhood have raised against the establishment of a hospital in that place. The question with the ladies is whether they would try to over-ride this objection, and by enlarging the building, establish the permanent home of the hospital there, or whether they would select another site.

**Committee Appointed**  
On motion of Mrs. Stratton, a committee of six was appointed by the chair to select a suitable location for the hospital, either a place which already has a large house on it, or a vacant lot on which to erect a new hospital. The following is the committee appointed:

Mrs. J. Morgan Smith, chairman; Mrs. Thomas H. Molton, Mrs. Tom O. Smith, Robert Jemison, Rabbi M. Newfield, David

J. Fox, E. H. Cabaniss. The latter's name was added on motion.  
Mrs. Smith will call a meeting of the committee within the next few days to take immediate action on the matter.  
After an invitation had been extended to all of the gentlemen present and to all citizens who are interested in the work to visit the Hillman hospital, the meeting adjourned.

## REJECTED VOLUNTEERS.

Their Names to Figure in History of Alabama's Regiments.

Sergeant W. Koenigsburg, of Company E, Second Alabama, is preparing an extensive history of Alabama's white regiments. His prospectus cards mention "tooths that will both please and pair." But to the end that his work may be complete in every detail he desires that those who volunteered their services and were rejected by examining surgeons forwarded to him, at Montgomery within the next four days, their names together with the titles of the companies in which they enlisted. The history, entitled "Southern Martyrs," will be issued on the day the Alabama white regiments are mustered out.

## A BAD NEGRO USES A GUN

Robert Harris Probably Fatally Wounds John Davis.

## WAS WITHOUT PROVOCATION

Shot Without Warning and Made His Escape—Occurred in Saloon On Third Avenue—Th Ball Took Effect in Right Breast.

About 11 o'clock last night Robert Harris, a negro rouser, who is well known in police circles, shot and probably fatally wounded John Davis, another negro, and made his escape.

The shooting occurred in Adam Howard's saloon in Third avenue, and according to the statement of eye witnesses was done without provocation.

Quite a number of negroes were in the saloon at the time and were standing around the bar, when suddenly Harris called to Ed Chewett to hit Davis, and at the same time drew a 38-caliber pistol and fired, the ball taking effect in the right breast just below the nipple and ranging across the body.

## Harris Escaped

Harris immediately ran out of the saloon and down Third avenue, turning in to the "K. C." saloon, situated a few doors below. Without stopping he went through the back door of this saloon and escaped through Second alley, going towards Twenty-first street.

Captain Will Wear, of the police department was on Twentieth street and heard the shot fired. He ran towards Third avenue and arrived at the corner in time to see the fleeing negro run into the "K. C." saloon. Two officers who had heard the shooting came up about this time and joined in the chase. One of the officers ran around through the Nineteenth street entrance to the alley, and the other went through the saloon. Captain Wear called to look out for the negro, but no trace of him could be found, he having probably passed out of the alley before the officers arrived.

## Will Prove Fatal

The wounded negro who works for the Wheelock Roofing company, and bears a good reputation, was removed to police headquarters, where City Physician Wilder attended him. Dr. Wilder was unable in the hasty examination to locate the exact course of the bullet, but was of the opinion that the wound would prove fatal and the negro was removed to the home of his sister, in Fifth alley, between Eleventh and Nineteenth streets.

The entire police department were notified to keep a sharp lookout for Harris, and it is probable that his capture will be effected.

## PERSONAL.

P. H. Brantley has gone to Pell City and springs in that vicinity for his health.

W. N. Maxwell, of Tuscaloosa, is in the city.

Charles E. Waller, of Greensboro, was in the city yesterday.

Dr. S. W. Allen, of Tampa, Fla., is in the city visiting his brother, Dr. T. M. Allen. Dr. Allen is an old Birmingham boy, and expresses much surprise and pleasure at the rapid growth and improvement of the city since he left it.

**Marion Garner's Remains**  
Last night the remains of Marion Garner of Fort Smith, Ark., who was run over and killed by a train a few days ago, passed through the city, accompanied by an escort of fourteen men, en route to Tuscaloosa, where the interment will occur this afternoon. Mr. Garner formerly resided here, and has relatives both in Birmingham and Tuscaloosa. He was a locomotive engineer and was a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and other orders.

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## COUNCIL'S SEMI-MONTHLY MEETING

City Fathers Talked About Damage Suits and Street Work.

## NEW CEMETERY ORDINANCE

Too Much Loitering in the Cities Where the Dead Are Sleeping.

## MR. ALTMAN WANTED DEBTS PAID

City's Money from Sloss Iron and Steel Company Has Been Garnished. A Lot Belonging to Company Also Levied Upon.

The city council last night talked about paying off the city's judgment indebtedness; squabbled over street improvements on Avenue G, and having maps drawn, paid bills and then adjourned.

There were present Mayor Evans, Alderman Lynagh, Rambow, Kerr, McKnight, Altman, Graham, Hamilton, Pearce, Gray, Harrington and Hentschel.

The first order of business was the report of committees and the chairman of the cemetery committee offered an ordinance to prevent loitering in the city's burial grounds. It was subsequently passed.

Chairman Altman in his report had something to say of the city's indebtedness, accruing from claims and damage suits. He offered an ordinance to the effect that these claims be paid.

Alderman Gray and Rambow thought that the matter should be deferred. They did not understand the question thoroughly and were not prepared to vote.

## Money Tied Up

Alderman Altman then explained that these judgments had been rendered by the courts to the extent of about \$5,000. Money due the city by the Sloss Iron and Steel company for convict hire had been garnished and a lot had been levied upon. This money was tied up doing the city no good and he thought it nothing but justice to all parties that it should be settled some way.

On motion of Alderman Pearce the matter was referred back to the judiciary committee to report at the next regular meeting. Alderman Gray and Graham had a discussion over the contemplated street improvements in Avenue G between Twenty-seventh and Twenty-ninth streets. The former contended that the citizens wanted improvements to proceed, while Alderman Gray contended that they did not.

Alderman Graham said that the property owners wanted the improvements and he thought it nothing but justice that the contractors be made to proceed with it. Alderman Gray said that some of the property belonged to the state and could not be assessed. A large part of it was also owned by the Elyton company, which had gone into the hands of a receiver and that part could not be touched.

The contract was made for this work some time ago, but the contractor had never begun it. It was finally left to a committee.

Upon request of Alderman Graham the water company was granted a right of way for a private telephone line.

**Wanted Signs Drawn**

He also explained some improvements the citizens in the neighborhood of "five points" desired and in this connection asked that City Engineer Kendrick be empowered to have drawings made of Highland avenue, giving the grade and other necessary details. This aroused some discussion.

Alderman Lynagh thought there was work worse needed than this. Alderman Pearce said that more attention was being paid to drawing and figuring than to other necessary things. He objected to a member of the board authorizing this work to be started without first bringing it before the body.

Mayor Evans explained that the chairman of the street committee had the right to authorize any work needed not to exceed \$25 without notifying the board.

## Assessment Notification

An ordinance introduced by Alderman Graham notifying the adjacent property owners to street improvements in Avenue F that assessment would be levied for same at the December meeting of the board was passed.

The council refunded the street tax of W. precedent set down at its last meeting that members of the state militia was not exempt.

## TAYLOR'S SCHOOL.

Opening Postponed From Yesterday Until Next Monday.

The opening of the Taylor school, which was to have taken place yesterday, has been postponed until next Monday. This was necessary on account of some improvements in the school building which are being made. Among the improvements, is the fitting up of a large hall which will be used as a gymnasium. It will be a big addition to the school. Professor Taylor stated yesterday that the prospects for his school this fall were exceedingly bright.

## Van Heest Knocked Out

Louisville, Ky., September 21.—Tommy Hogan, of New York, knocked out Johnny Van Heest, of Michigan, here tonight in the seventeenth round. Hogan displayed superior science, landed six blows to one for his opponent, and was so strong at the finish that he could have taken on another man.

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Arrangements Being Completed for the Their Opening on Monday Morning.

The public schools of the city will open on Monday next with a large attendance. Superintendent Phillips has been working hard since his return so that the arrangements for the reception of the pupils will be as complete as possible. Many repairs have been made in the several buildings and the rooms have been placed in excellent condition.

Tomorrow morning at 9 a. m. the principals of the several schools will be in their

offices for the purpose of examining and classifying new pupils and those who have been promoted conditionally. Superintendent Phillips desires to emphasize the requirement of the board of health in regard to vaccination. All new pupils will be required to produce a certificate of successful vaccination in compliance with the order of the board of health.

The teachers of the white schools will meet at the high school building Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock, and the teachers of the colored schools at 3:30. The permanent assignment of teachers and general instructions will be given at these meetings, and all teachers are requested to be present.

## MR. MOORE WRITES

And Says He Intended No Reflection on Lieutenant Johnston.

To the Editor of The Age-Herald.  
I do hereby certify that any statement made by me in my card to your paper of yesterday that reflected on Lieutenant Johnston's honesty and veracity was unintentional, untrue and was written without due thought or consideration.

J. W. MOORE.

Birmingham, September 20, 1898.

## TWENTY-FOUR CARS OF CATTLE

Shipped Over the K. C. to Indian Territory.

## NEW DIVISIONS C. OF G.

The Earnings of the Tennessee Coal Iron and Railroad Company Show an Increase Over the Past Year.

The first movement of cattle out of this section to the country to the west for the season of 1898-1899 was made yesterday by the Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham railroad.

Twenty-four cars of beef cattle were shipped to Rogers' Ranch, Indian Territory. Nearly all of them came from Donnellsville, Ga. These cattle will be held in the Indian Territory, where they will be fattened, until after November 15, when they will be driven across the border line into Kansas and there slaughtered. The government quarantine, which forbids the shipment of all southern cattle above a certain line, except between the dates of November 15 and January 15, prevents the shipment of Alabama and Georgia cattle direct to the packing houses of Kansas at this date. They will accordingly be held in a cattle ranging country just south of this line until the quarantine is removed. The quarantine against southern cattle is enforced because of certain cattle diseases which they are said to carry with them during summer months.

The cattle shipping industry from this state has grown to tremendous proportions in the last few years. Last year over a hundred thousand of them were shipped from this state alone. It costs nothing at all to raise these cattle; they "run wild" in many parts of the state, and, though for the want of proper grazing, they are unfit for beef until they are fattened up out west. Their owners receive an average of \$5 a head for them. This means a revenue of at least \$500,000 a year coming into the state annually from this source.

It is thought that these shipments will be greatly increased this year, and from now on the Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham railroad expects to handle them out of this state by the thousand.

## New Divisions on the C. of G.

The Central of Georgia railroad has just issued a circular defining the new divisions into which the road has been divided. The lines between Savannah and Macon, the Savannah terminals, the road between Macon and Augusta and the Bratton and Pineora road, will constitute the first division, with T. S. Moise, Savannah, as superintendent.

The lines between Macon and Atlanta, including Macon terminals, between Griffin and Carrollton, Barnesville and Thomas, Macon and Athens, and Gordon and Covington, will constitute the second division, with B. C. Epperson, Macon, Ga., as superintendent.

The lines between Macon and Eufaula, Montgomery and Eufaula, Smithville and Columbia, Outburt and Fort Gaines, Fort Valley and Perry, Fort Valley and Columbus, and Eufaula and Ozark, will constitute the third division, with J. H. Hall, Macon, as superintendent.

The lines between Columbus and Birmingham, Opelika and Roanoke, Columbus and Greenville, Columbus and Americus, Columbus and Seagriff, will constitute the fourth division, with J. T. Johnson, Columbus, Ga., as superintendent.

The appointment of H. B. Crawford as trainmaster of the fourth division has just been officially announced. Mr. Crawford was formerly supervisor between Columbus and Macon.

The net earnings of the Tennessee Coal, Iron and Railroad company for the month of August were \$32,246, as compared with the \$47,777 of August, 1897. This shows an increase of \$15,531. The net earnings since January 1 have been \$518,578, showing an increase of \$157,011 over the same months of last year.

The northbound Louisville and Nashville train, due here yesterday at 11:35, was four hours and ten minutes late, owing to the breaking down of an engine on the Montgomery and Mobile division. The train had several coaches on it with yellow fever refugees in them from New Orleans. The cars were all kept tightly locked. All of the through trains from New Orleans on the Alabama Great Southern roads also have numbers of refugees on them, who are kept locked up in their coaches.

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## SOME GRUESOME STORIES

Hangman's Scaffold Which Has Stood in Jail Yard Since 1890 Torn Down.

## HAWES ONE OF THE NOTED VICTIMS

Foul Murder of His Wife and Babes Formed One of Birmingham's Darkest Criminal Chapters. Byer's Another Fiend.

A casual observer would scarcely cast more than a passing glance at a pile of old lumber, stacked under the east window of the sheriff's office at the county court house; nor would a careful examination divulge to a more inquisitive person other than that the rotten timber was once shaped to serve some useful purpose. A gruesome history, however, is connected with the inanimate pile, which is interesting nevertheless.

The decayed beam and warped planks are the remains of the scaffold on which twelve men have been launched into eternity. This rude instrument of death was erected in January, 1890, and has since remained in the jail yard until a few days ago it was broken to pieces and stacked away to be burned in the furnace when the fires are lighted this winter.

The scaffold was erected during Sheriff Joe Smith's term of office, and the first man to mount its uncanny steps was Gilbert Lowe, a negro murderer who was executed on February 28, 1890.

## Hawes Was Its Victim

The next man to suffer death upon it was the noted criminal Dick Hawes, who was hanged in the same month, having been convicted of murdering his wife and two children.

The Hawes murder, riot and execution form bloody chapters in the history of Birmingham, and are often referred to until this day.

The third man to swing was Ben Elzy, who was also convicted of murder. Alf Cooper, who killed Jeff Googer, another negro, at Ensley City, was executed on this scaffold on July 11, 1890.

Sandy Jones was the fifth man to mount the gallows. He murdered Policeman Manning at Bessemer and was given a quick trial and condemned to death.

Bill Scroggins, a white man, who murdered an old Jewish peddler, near Warrior; Bob Sims and Sam Smith, negro murderers, followed in the order named, covering a space of several years.

## The Noted Eugene Byers

On February 8, 1895, Eugene Byers was executed for the murder of his cousin, Eugene Walker, who was a non-commissioned officer in the United States army stationed in Nebraska. Walker came to Birmingham in the latter part of 1894 on a furlough en route to his home in Winston county to visit his parents. Walker had been frugal and had saved his money and had quite a snug little sum with him. He fell in with Byers, who induced him to the woods near Seaborn's park, in the southwestern part of the city, where he murdered him and robbed the body of the money, which was afterwards traced to several stores, and played an important part in his conviction. The only double execution which took place upon the scaffold was that of Leo Harris and Abe Mitchell, who were hung on June 7, 1895. For this occasion the scaffold as almost rebuilt, extra supports being placed under it and a double trap substituted for the single trap of the old scaffold. It was also moved from the rear of the stone jail to a point almost in front of the jail kitchen, directly opposite the jail yard gate.

Harris and Mitchell were partners in crime as well as in death. They were convicted of the murder of Pleas Merriweather, an old negro storekeeper, and at the time of their conviction there were other crimes against them, which would undoubtedly have sent them to the gallows.

## Convict Murder

The last man hanged upon it was John Walton, who murdered a fellow convict at Coalburg by striking him in the head with a miners' pick.

Walton was executed on May 8, 1895, just previous to the expiration of Sheriff Morrow's term of office.

Sheriff O'Brien has not as yet been called upon to execute a prisoner, but the old scaffold was allowed to remain in case of emergency.

Among the prisoners executed upon the scaffold, Dick Hawes, Bill Scroggins and Eugene Byers were white men.

In case the governor refuses to interfere in the case of Y. C. Hughes, the negro who was recently captured after having been at liberty five years, under sentence of death, a new scaffold will have to be built.

## F. B. KEISER.

Superintendent of Pioneer Company, Very Sick at Thomas.

F. B. Keiser, superintendent of the Pioneer Mining and Manufacturing company, is very sick at his home in Thomas. He was taken sick just a week ago with nervous prostration, caused by overwork, and since that time he has been in a very serious condition. He was resting easy yesterday, however, and the doctors think that he will recover.

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